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| | 23 | TERRY FRIEDMAN & JULIE THROOP, PLLC; JOHN C. BOYDEN, ESQ., an individual; GREATER NEVADA CREDIT UNION, a domestic non-profit cooperative corporation; TRUIST BANK, NORTH CAROLINA, a Tennessee Corporation; | | | | |
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Polaris Processing, LLC ("Polaris"), New Rise Renewables Reno, LLC ("New Rise"), Greater Nevada Credit Union ("Credit Union"), Terry Friedman & Julie Throop, PLLC and John C. Boyden, Esq. (collectively, "Throop and Boyden" and together with Polaris, New Rise, and Credit Union, the "Parties") by and through their respective counsel, hereby submit this Stipulation and Order to Extend Discovery Deadlines ("Stipulation") pursuant to Local Rule 26-1 and Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(f)(3), which supersedes the Order Granting the Amended Joint Discovery Plan and Scheduling Order ("Joint Discovery Plan") entered January 15, 2025 [ECF No. 31]. When Polaris and New Rise submitted the Joint Discovery Plan that the Court entered, New Rise was in the process of serving third-party defendants named in its third-party complaint filed on November 11, 2024 [ECF No. 7]. As a result, New Rise and Polaris informed the Court of their intention to extend the deadlines outlined in the Joint Discovery Plan at a later date to ensure a standardized discovery schedule for all participants in the litigation [ECF No. 31, n. 1]. Accordingly, the Parties seek to extend discovery deadlines sixty (60) days, so all Parties have adequate time to gather and analyze relevant information. This is the first request to extend discovery deadlines, and this request is made in good faith and not for purposes of undue delay.

A. Discovery Completed

On January 27, 2025, Polaris served its initial disclosures, and on February 20, 2025, Throop and Boyden served its initial disclosures. The Parties are currently working on a protective order, and after the Court enters that order, the Parties will exchange confidential initial disclosure documents. On March 7, 2025, the Parties attended a supplemental Rule 26 conference that included new parties Throop and Boyden and the Credit Union. Only Polaris and New Rise attended the original Rule 26 conference.

B. Discovery Remaining

The Parties anticipate propounding written discovery, disclosing one or more experts and/or rebuttal experts, and taking depositions of party, non-party, and expert witnesses. The Parties may also subpoen nonparty representatives and make additional document disclosures.

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C. Good Cause Supports the Extension, and Any Noncompliance with Current **Deadlines Constitutes Excusable Neglect**

The Parties can establish that any failure to meet the current deadlines resulted from a delay in service of third-party plaintiff New Rise's third-party complaint on Throop and Boyden and the Credit Union, and the need to align all parties on a standardized discovery schedule, both of which constitute excusable neglect. LR IA 6-1 states that "[a] request made after the expiration of the specified period will not be granted unless the movant or attorney demonstrates that the failure to file the motion before the deadline expired was the result of excusable neglect."

Here, New Rise filed third-party claims against Throop and Boyden and the Credit Union and needed time to serve the third-party defendants. The delay in service led to new parties joining the case and holding a supplemental Rule 26 conference on dates that conflicted with the existing Joint Discovery Plan. When the Joint Discovery Plan was entered on January 15, 2025, New Rise was still in the process of serving third-party defendants named in its third-party complaint filed on November 11, 2024 [ECF No. 7]. As noted in the Joint Discovery Plan, Polaris and New Rise informed the Court of their intent to extend the deadlines to ensure a standardized discovery schedule for all participants [ECF No. 31, n. 1]. Notably, Throop and Boyden's counsel did not appear until February 12, 2025 [ECF No. 41], and Credit Union did not appear until February 21, 2025 [ECF No. 47]. As a result, Credit Union's appearance occurred after the deadline to amend pleadings and add parties had already passed [ECF No. 31]. Given these circumstances, any failure to meet the current deadlines was due to delays in service and the necessity of standardizing the discovery schedule to promote judicial efficiency. Because these factors constitute excusable neglect, the Court should grant the requested extension of the discovery deadlines.

D. Proposed Schedule

Initial disclosures for Credit Union will be due March 21, 2025. The following dates are the current and proposed deadlines for the Parties.

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| Description | Current Deadline | Proposed Deadline |
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| Discovery cut-off date | May 19, 2025 | July 18, 2025 |
| Amending the pleadings and adding parties | February 18, 2025 | April 21, 2025 |
| Expert disclosures | March 20, 2025 | May 19, 2025 |
| Rebuttal expert disclosures | April 21, 2025 | June 20, 2025 |
| Dispositive motions | June 18, 2025 | August 18, 2025 |
| Pretrial order | July 18, 2025 | September 16, 2025 |

IT IS SO STIPULATED, THROUGH COUNSEL OF RECORD.

Dated: March 10, 2025

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IT IS SO ORDERED.

If dispositive motions are filed, the deadline for filing the joint pretrial order will be suspended until 30 days after decision on the dispositive motions or further court order. The disclosures required by Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a)(3) and any objections to them must be included in the joint pretrial order.

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